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REMARKS

1. Restriction Requirement and Claim Changes

Restriction was required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to either

the Group I invention drawn to a device for supplying fluid media to a process chamber, originally claimed by claims 1 to 27 and 29, or

the Group II invertion drawn to an application of the Group I device, originally claimed by claim 28.

Applicants elect to continue prosecution with claims for the Group I invention drawn to the device for supplying the fluid medium. This election is made without traversal.

However all the original claims 1 to 29 have been canceled to provide claims that comply better with 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, and the general rules for drafting U.S. Patent claims.

New device claims 30 to 58 have been added containing the subject matter of the canceled device claims 1 to 27 and 29. New claims 30 to 58 have been drafted in a somewhat better form, which describes the claimed invention in somewhat more clearly and avoids wording that can cause rejections on formal grounds.

The Group II claim 28 was canceled without replacement.

II. Specification Changes

The specification has been amended to provide standard section headings recommended by U.S. Patent Office Rules. Also a minor wording error on page 3 of the specification has been corrected.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawing be further amended or corrected in formal respects to put this case in condition for final allowance, then it is requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment and the case passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing the case to allowance, he or she is invited to telephone the undersigned at 1-631-549 4700.

In view of the foregoing, favorable allowance is respectfully solicited.

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